

Obituary.

[The following obituary was unavoidably crowded out of the paper last week along with other matter. We regret to have to do this, but sometimes it seems necessary.]

Fannie Breneman (nee Good) was born April 5, 1834, in Rockingham County, Va. She died March 23, 1915, near Jasper, Mo., at the home of her son George Breneman, aged 80 years, 11 months and 18 days. She united with the Mennonite Church at the age of 18 and remained a faithful member until Jesus called her home. She was united in marriage to D. C. Breneman in 1854. To this union were born 12 children, 4 of whom preceded them in death. The husband preceded her on February 9, 1915, in Rockingham County, Va. Eight children survive, as follows: Henry T. Breneman and Fannie Frantz of Indiana; Jesse and Joseph Breneman of Newton, Kans.; Lydia Kahl of Reeds, Mo.; George Breneman, Anna Mackey and Jennie Major, who were by her side through sickness and in death, which was caused by paralysis. Her body was taken to Newton, Kans., to the home of her son Jesse Breneman. Her funeral took place Sunday, March 28, at 2:30 p. m., at the Pennsylvania Church seven miles northwest of Newton, Kans. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. M. Brunk and Rev. D. D. Zook of Harvey County, Kans.

The fourteenth chapter of John was by her request used as the text for her funeral sermon.

The undersigned wish to express our heartfelt thanks to our neighbors and friends near Jasper for aid and assistance during our mother's illness.

George Breneman,
Anna Mackey,
Jennie Major.

German Proverb.

We can live without a brother, but not without a friend.

National Honor.

That nation is worthless which does not joyfully stake everything on her honor.—Schiller.

Whale Not Fast Swimmer.

The whale's progress through the water is limited to ten or twelve miles an hour.

Better Than Riches.

A man who gives his children habits of industry provides for them better than by giving them a fortune.—Archbishop Whately.

Vinegar in Ink.

Very often ink gets stringy or oily. This is caused by the action of the air. A few drops of vinegar put into the ink will make it usable again, but the better plan is to keep the ink bottle covered.

SHERIDAN.

Miss FERN PATRICK.

S. C. Davis and family entertained at dinner Sunday Mrs. L. M. Pearman of Fort Collins, Colo., H. H. Edwards of Minden, Mrs. Leona Vincent of Jasper, John Kelly and J. W. Robinson and son Bert.

Edna Davis called on Mrs. John Bradshaw Sunday.

T. H. B. Bell and wife visited relatives of Maple Grove Sunday.

Miss Pearl Hay returned from Red Oak Sunday where she has been visiting relatives.

Gienn Karls spent Sunday afternoon with Johnnie and Clyde Crow.

Sunday being John Gresham's fifty fourth birthday a few of his relatives and friends came in while he and his family were at church, and had a fine dinner spread when they returned. Those present were Andrew Gresham and family, Seth Gresham and family, Mr. Barclay and family, Willis Carns and wife, Mrs. Mollie Gresham and children, and Willie Comney.

Mrs. Abbie Crow and aunt, Mrs. Abbie Allen, and Mrs. Lillie Whitlock visited in Carthage Sunday.

Ray Karls returned to Warrensburg Monday morning.

S. H. Sterling and granddaughters Leola Patrick and Mrs. W. F. King were in Carthage Saturday.

S. H. Sterling and family entertained at dinner Sunday, Elsie Gresham, W. F. King and wife, and Earl Laudenslager and family.

G. W. Smith and wife and son were in Carthage Saturday.

Mrs. F. W. King spent Monday night with her grandmother, Mrs. S. H. Sterling.

Bubonic Plague Ravages.

Bubonic plague appeared in Europe in 1302. It had started in Asia, where more than 200,000,000 of human beings perished. After reaching Europe the plague lasted 20 years, and during that period it carried off 40,000,000 persons. When it began Norway had a population of 2,500,000, when it ended this great population had been reduced to fewer than 300,000.

Her First Dinner Party.

I was giving my first dinner in our new home, and, being somewhat excited, asked a couple who were Quakers by faith to ask a blessing on our food. They refused and in turn suggested that I ask the blessing. Never having made a prayer or speech in company, I became greatly confused and said: "Oh, no, let's just pass it up."—Chicago Tribune.

Uncle Eben.

"Mebbe dar'd be a heap mo' work done," said Uncle Eben, "if dey got out a new model of wheelbarrow every year an' provided a horn so's to make folks git out'n de way."

Chief Uses for Platinum.

One-third of the world's supply of platinum is required in dentistry and another third for electrical purposes.

NATION'S LABOR PROBLEM

OVER A MILLION AND A HALF WOMEN WORK AS FARM HANDS IN THE UNITED STATES.

By Peter Radford.

Lecturer National Farmers' Union.

Our government never faced so tremendous a problem as that now lying dormant at the doors of congress and the legislatures, and which, when aroused, will shake this nation from center to circumference, and make civilization hide its face in shame. That problem is—women in the field.

The last federal census reports show we now have 1,514,000 women working in the field, most of them south of the Mason and Dixon line. There were approximately a million negro slaves working in the fields when liberated by the emancipation proclamation. We have freed our slaves and our women have taken their places in bondage. We have broken the shackles off the negroes and welded them upon our daughters.

The Chain-Gang of Civilization. A million women in bondage in the southern fields form the chain-gang of civilization—the industrial tragedy of the age. There is no overseer quite so cruel as that of unrestrained greed, no whip that stings like the lash of subverted destiny, and no auctioneer's block quite so revolting as that of organized avarice.

The president of the United States was recently lauded by the press, and very properly so, for suggesting mediation between the engineers and railroad managers in adjusting their schedule of time and pay. The engineers threatened to strike if their wages were not increased from approximately ten to eleven dollars per day and service reduced from ten to eight hours and a similar readjustment of the overtime schedule. Our women are working in the field, many of them barefooted, for less than 50 cents per day, and their schedule is the rising sun and the evening star, and after the day's work is over they milk the cows, slop the hogs and rock the baby to sleep. Is anyone mediating over their problems, and to whom shall they threaten a strike?

Congress has listened approvingly to those who toll at the forge and behind the counter, and many of our statesmen have smiled at the threats and have fanned the flame of unrest among industrial laborers. But women are as surely the final victims of industrial warfare as they are the burden-bearers in the war between nations, and those who arbitrate and mediate the differences between capital and labor should not forget that when the expenses of any industry are unnecessarily increased, society foots the bill by drafting a new consignment of women from the home to the field. Pinch no Crumb From Women's Crust of Bread.

No financial award can be made without someone foots the bill, and we commend to those who accept the responsibility of the distribution of industrial justice, the still small voice of the woman in the field as she pleads for mercy, and we beg that they pinch no crumb from her crust of bread or put another patch upon her ragged garments.

We beg that they listen to the scream of horror from the eagle on every American dollar that is wrung from the brow of toiling women and hear the Goddess of Justice hiss at a verdict that increases the want of woman to satisfy the greed of man.

The women behind the counter and in the factory cry aloud for sympathy and the press thunders out in their defense and the pulpit pleads for mercy, but how about the woman in the field? Will not these powerful exponents of human rights turn their talent, energies and influence to her relief? Will the Goddess of Liberty enthroned at Washington hold the caloused hand and soothe the feverish brow of her sex who sows and reaps the nation's harvest or will she permit the male of the species to shove women—weak and weary—from the bread-line of industry to the back alleys of poverty?

Women and Children First.

The census enumerators tell us that of the 1,514,000 women who work in the fields as farm hands 409,000 are sixteen years of age and under. What is the final destiny of a nation whose future mothers spend their girlhood days behind the plow, pitching hay and hauling manure, and what is to become of womanly culture and refinement that grace the home, charm society and enthrone man to leap to glory in noble achievements if our daughters are raised in the society of the ox and the companionship of the plow?

In that strata between the ages of sixteen and forty-five are 550,000 women working as farm hands and many of them with suckling babes tugging at their breasts, as drenched in perspiration, they wield the scythe

BLUE AND BETHEL.

Mrs. J. R. HATCHER.

Mrs. H. C. Ruckel is visiting her son Earl and family near Esrom.

Leah and Maud Arner spent Sunday with Emma and Edna Yates. Ballard and Rosco Lilly ate dinner Sunday with Charley Cotton.

Lee Mitchell and family were guests of Mrs. I. Y. Byers of Jasper Saturday.

Rob. Casement and wife were visitors at the George Brous home one day last week.

Neva and Aubrey Taylor had a runaway in Jasper last Tuesday. They escaped with few bruises, but the buggy was damaged considerably.

Steve Lucas and family and Mr. Wells spent Sunday with John and Elmer Frakes.

Mrs. George Quillen, our champion chicken raiser, tells the writer she is getting 30 to 32 dozen eggs daily and will probably be getting more soon as she has 600 hens.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones and daughters Caroline and Romaine were Sunday callers of George Quillen and wife.

Charley Lilly and wife autoed over to George Lilly's Sunday.

Dan Nichols and wife and son Ora of Jasper spent Sunday and Sunday night with Loy Worley and family.

Frank Carns was a Lamar visitor Saturday.

Opal Riley tripped over Gorce Arner's foot at school one day last week which caused her to fall breaking her arm.

John Carns of Farmer's Union, is spending a few days with his son Frank and family.

Clyde Wagner and family entertained visitors Sunday.

J. N. Hatcher of Jefferson City spent a few days last week with his son, J. R. Hatcher and family.

John King and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Will Hyder and family of Jasper.

Bird Feared by Snakes.

Snakes in South Africa fear the secretary bird and will even crawl away from his shadow. This bird devours snakes and can easily kill a reptile twice its size.

Water Power Wasted.

The famous Victoria falls of the Zambesi river, in Rhodesia, it is estimated, could be made to yield 35,000,000 horsepower, or just about the same amount as all of Europe's water courses.

Ingenious Youngster.

A little boy came near getting a good spanking for answering his father in a pert way, but escaped by saying, "When you were a small boy, dad, didn't you ever get excited and say the wrong thing?"

Achieving Importance.

"Some men," said Uncle Eben, "gets to be looked on as important because dey has to be hollered at all de time foh gittin' in de way."

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Trapped.

They were quarreling. "Well, you can't say I ran after you," said the wife. "Neither does a mousetrap run after the mice, but it catches 'em just the same," replied hubby.

Trapping Sparrows.

In England sparrows are trapped with a sieve, one end held up by a short stake to which a long string is tied. The trap is baited with bread crumbs, oats or wheat. The birds are permitted to eat the bait until a number have gathered under the sieve, when the cord is pulled, removing the stake and allowing the trap to fall over the birds gathered under the sieve.

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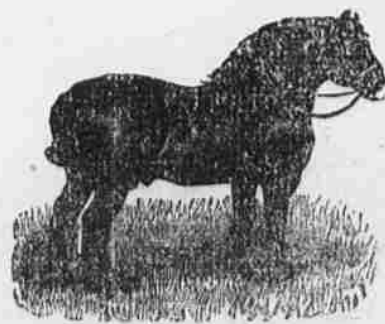
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